

NINETY-SEVENTH YEAR.

SUMMARY OF The St. Louis Republic Saturday, May 13, 1905.

THE WEATHER. FORECAST. A.M. 5-53. St. Louis and vicinity. Showers to-day; easterly winds. For Missouri—Showers and thunderstorms to-day and to-morrow. Yesterday's Conditions. P.M. 5-70. Weather—Forecast, clear, evening, cloudy. Temperature—Maximum, 70; minimum, 53. Wind—Direction, northeast to east; maximum velocity, 12 miles an hour at 2 p.m. Precipitation—Trace at 7 a.m.; none at 7 p.m. Humidity—85 percent at 7 a.m.; 80 percent at 7 p.m. Barometer—Maximum, 30.04 inches at 7 a.m.; State of the river, 11.7 feet at 7 a.m.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, MAY 12. Sun rises 5:51. Moon sets 11:20. Last quarter. May 12. First quarter June 10. The storm that was central over Eastern Kansas and Nebraska advanced rapidly northward yesterday, being now central over North Dakota and Minnesota. The pressure has fallen steadily from the north, the upper Ohio Valley and the North Atlantic Coast, where moderate heavy rain has been general, the heaviest reported being 2.34 inches at Cincinnati. Rains also fell during the last 24 hours in Northeast Texas, Louisiana and South Dakota, the Mississippi Valley and the British Northwest Territory. The pressure continues low in the Southwest. Fair weather is now general between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains, and over the Southern States, and cooler weather over the lower Missouri and middle Mississippi valleys.

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FEATURES OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

- 1. Adams to Succeed Judge Thayer.
- 2. Crocker's Son Dies Mysteriously.
- 3. Lying in Missouri.
- 4. Chicago Steamer's Strike.
- 5. "Widow's Allowance" Held for Appraiser of Port.
- 6. Woman Kills Cystic.
- 7. Looms Case Before President.
- 8. Van Patterson Released.
- 9. News of the Bullheads.
- 10. Rev. Arthur's Cipher.
- 11. Presbyterian May Talk.
- 12. Peace in Panama.
- 13. Children's Vacation School.

President Roosevelt takes up with Secretary Taft the charges of Minister Brown against Assistant Secretary of State Loomis. President Roosevelt will appoint W. A. Northcott, a United States Attorney and 1. A. Townsend as Assistant for southern Illinois. PAGE 4.

FOREIGN. The primary cause of the Jewish riots at Zhitomir, Russia, was the fact that Hebrews insisted upon using a portrait of the czar as a target in marksmanship practice. PAGE 3.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. A young woman, who awoke to find a burglar's hand under pillow frightened him away by her screams. PAGE 4.

A Post Office messenger was killed by a wagon under which he was thrown by colliding with another vehicle. PAGE 4.

Theodore Kahlhoff has been appointed Appraiser of the Port of St. Louis. PAGE 2.

President Roosevelt refused to pardon Nathan Levin. There is said to be little hope for Barrett, Dolan and Garrett. PAGE 4.

Ambrose English, a Baden farmer, was accidentally shot and killed by a 16-year-old girl who was visiting him. PAGE 1.

The prosecuting attorney of St. Louis county will present charges of subornation against a group of men charged with violating Sunday-closing law to the grand jury. PAGE 1.

A woman, who declares she is the widow of Jacob L. Howard, files notice of a claim for \$200 allowance against his estate. PAGE 2.

The House of Representatives probably will take a long summer recess with recessing in the Senate. PAGE 4.

Consolidation of the branches of the Presbyterian Church will be considered at the session of the General Assembly next week. PAGE 11.

The United Hotel's kitchen was closed, a step toward the closing of the historic hostelry. PAGE 12.

Cardinal Gibbons and other dignitaries who will take part in the conferring of the pallium on Archbishop Glendon will arrive to-day. PAGE 11.

The Civic Improvement League completed plans for a vacation school. PAGE 13.

GENERAL DOMESTIC. Herbert Crocker, son of Richard Crocker, dies aboard a train near Newton, Kan., after having been placed in the car by a negro, who says the young man visited an opium den just before boarding the train. PAGE 1.

A negro is lynched at Belmont by a mob for kidnapping and holding for \$500 ransom the wife and child of a former Representative. PAGE 1.

Chicago steamer become dissatisfied with the strike, and it is said they will make an effort to settle with employers, after discharging their president. PAGE 2.

Armour's secret cipher relating to rebates and the inside workings of the Iowa Car Company are given to the Interstate Commerce Commission in sensational testimony. PAGE 7.

Storms in Indian Territory cause much damage at Marlow, Rush Springs and Chickasha. Three persons are seriously injured at Marlow. PAGE 14.

The jury in the Gibney-Stetler breach of promise suit returns a sealed verdict, which is said to favor Miss Gibney. PAGE 2.

The number of dead at Snyder is estimated at 125, and several of the injured are expected to die. Medical attention is the most pressing necessity. PAGE 3.

Van Patterson, tried twice on a charge of murder, is discharged on his own recognizance. PAGE 3.

SPORT NEWS. One shot won the feature event at the Fair Grounds and Mammie Allen beat Irish Jock at Union. PAGE 3.

News from New Atherton, across 4 to 1, and Cuthbert lost to New York, total 6 to 5. PAGE 3.

NEGRO LYNCHED FOR HOLDING WOMAN AND CHILD FOR RANSOM

Belmont, Mo., Mob Take Prisoner From Sheriff and Hang Him in Public Square of the Town. ASKED \$600 FROM HUSBAND.

Held Wife and Baby of Former Representative in Cabin Until He Returned With the Money.

TRAILED BY BLOOD-HOUNDS.

Captured Before Dark in Deserted Hut in Swamp—Executed With Rope Cut From Swing of Children.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Belmont, Mo., May 12.—A negro of this county, who three years ago served a term in the Penitentiary for assault with intent to kill, was hanged in the public square here about dark to-night by a large mob for kidnapping the wife and small child of former Representative Frederick J. Hess, and holding them in his cabin until Mr. Hess paid him \$600, which he demanded.

In a running fight with a small posse of Belmont citizens, earlier in the day, the negro escaped, making his way into the swamps. He returned the fire of the mob, but no one was injured.

The mob which captured the negro to-night and hanged him was composed of Belmont citizens and a large posse, which came from Charleston, the county seat of Mississippi county, on a special train as soon as information of the kidnapping reached there.

TAKES FAMILY TO HIS CABIN. Early this morning the negro went to the Hess residence in a buggy, armed with a rifle. He called Mr. Hess to the door and told him to get his wife and child and follow him, threatening Mr. Hess with the rifle.

He compelled Mr. Hess and his wife to get into his buggy, together with the child, and drove to his cabin, which was but a short distance away.

During the drive he did not say a word as to his intentions, but kept Mr. Hess covered with the rifle. Mrs. Hess was almost prostrated with fear when the cabin was reached.

The negro then forced the woman to enter his hut with the child. Turning to Hess, he said:

"I want \$600, and I've got to have it. You owe me that much for sending me to the pen, and you've got to go to town and get it right away."

NEGRO THREATENS TO KILL. "I'm going to shoot and watch your wife and baby, and if you're not back in two hours with the \$600 I'll kill both of them and then shoot myself."

"Now go and get that \$600," Mr. Hess says that he realized that the negro was a "bad" man and would carry out his threats, as he appeared to be very desperate. He accordingly started for town, feeling he said, that he had no other alternative.

He feared that, when he returned, he would discover his wife and child murdered, but to remain would insure their death.

He hurried into the town, where he informed the sheriff and other citizens of the affair. But he warned them not to attempt to capture the negro while his wife and child were in the cabin, as he feared the negro might kill them at once.

POSSE FOLLOWED BY MR. HESS. He advised the sheriff to organize a small posse and follow him. With the \$600 and the posse following at a distance he went back to the cabin, where he found the negro keeping guard, but neither of them injured.

He told the \$600 to the negro, who at last opened the door and told him to go home with the wife and baby.

Mr. Hess carried the child, supporting his wife, who was near a collapse from fear.

As soon as they were at a sufficient distance the posse, which had surrounded the cabin, advanced and entered in the second-story window in the negro's room.

The negro became aware of their approach, and grabbing his rifle fled from the front door, leaving his coat, shoes and hat behind.

Members of the mob at once began firing at the fleeing negro, who made directly for the swamp.

GIRL KILLS FARMER WITH RANDOM SHOT

Ambrose English of Baden Dies of Wound Accidentally Inflicted by 16-Year-Old Visitor.

SHOOTING FROM SKIFF IN POND

Matilda and Linda Kunkel, Frightened by Accident, Run Home—Learn of His Death After Their Arrest.

The girl and her sister, Linda, 14 years old, became frightened and ran to their home, No. 271 North Twelfth street, where they were arrested last night and taken to the Mounted District Station, but were released later.

English had given the rifle to the girls to shoot with while they were rowing in a skiff on a pond near the house. The younger girl had left the skiff and was standing talking to English on the porch of the house when Matilda began to shoot from the skiff.

One of the bullets struck English near the heart. He staggered to a chair, exclaiming that he was shot. Matilda rowed ashore, ran to the man's side and told him she did not intend to shoot him.

The girls then became frightened and fled. Frank Johnson, who works for English, carried him into the house and called Doctor S. Vanhook of No. 518 1/2 Hall's Ferry road, but when he reached the house English was dead.

English was unmarried and lived with his brother on a small place at Conduit and Doddridge avenues. The girls say they have known him for more than a year and frequently went out to his place to spend the day.

"I didn't shoot him on purpose," exclaimed the girl last night between sobs as she told the police how the accident happened.

GIRLS TELL THEIR STORY. "Linda and I work at the Columbia Canning Company, but as we were late for work yesterday morning we thought we would go out and see Mr. English."

"After we had been rowing on the pond for a while Mr. English let us take his cat rifle to shoot. A man named Frank Johnson, who works for him, went out in the boat with us. Linda got her dress wet and got out of the boat and went up to talk to Mr. English, and I started to shoot. I heard her scream that he had been shot."

"I was standing on the porch talking to Mr. English," said Linda, "when I heard the shot. Mr. English put his hand to his breast and said he was shot."

"I screamed and Matilda and Frank came running from the boat. Mr. English said: 'I am shot, Frank,' and went over and sat on a chair. Frank came up and took him into the house. Matilda was scared and so was I. We went home and stayed there until the policeman came and got us."

The girls did not know that English was dead until they were taken to the station. When they heard of his death they began to cry, and the policemen had much difficulty in quieting them.

The body was taken charge of by his brother.

TO PRESENT CASES TO GRAND JURY

Prosecuting Attorney of St. Louis County Will Ask Body to Investigate Sunday-Closing Violations.

Prosecuting Attorney Johnston of St. Louis county will present the cases of the suborners charged with violating the Sunday-closing law to the grand jury.

With this end in view, Mr. Johnston yesterday notified Justice Stedde of Wellington that the cases of the ten suborners, docketed for trial in his court today, would be dismissed.

The five cases set for trial yesterday in Justice Stedde's court in Lexington also were not prosecuted.

To get before the grand jury, Prosecuting Attorney Johnston will bring all the alleged violations to the attention of the grand jury, which adjourns its session in Clayton yesterday to meet May 24.

This decision was reached after two of the trials had resulted in acquittal for the suborners.

Action against these suborners, who are charged with having violated the Sunday-closing law probably will not be taken until the grand jury meets.

Members of the Liquor Dealers' Association yesterday met in Clayton and decided to close again to-morrow. Whether they will remain closed thereafter, in view of the recess of the grand jury, is problematical.

SENATOR BURTON ROBBED ON CHICAGO STREET CAR.

"Robbed" by Pickpockets Who Escaped—Purse Afterwards Found in Mail Box With Note for \$1,700.

Chicago, May 12.—Senator J. Ralph Burton of Kansas arrived in Chicago this morning at the Park Street Station, with a satchel in each hand he boarded a Dearborn street car.

Four men, whom he described as the worst type of mental unrest and were arguing and gesticulating with one another, boarded the car with him. When the conductor asked for his fare a few minutes later Burton discovered that his pocket-book was gone.

AGREEMENT ON RATE BILL LOOKED FOR

Believed That Difference Between Local Associations Will Be Adjusted Soon.

COMMITTEES GO TO-MORROW.

Messrs. Bixby and Spencer Declare They Cannot Attend Hearing Tuesday—Special Meeting of League.

The committees which will represent different St. Louis commercial organizations before the Senate Commerce committee in considering the Townsend railroad rate regulation bill will depart for Washington to-morrow prepared to appear before the Bixby Committee at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning.

From the statements of prominent members of the various organizations of the city which are deeply interested in the proposed legislation it is barely possible that whatever feeling has been engendered during the last few days will have been smoothed over before the deputations present their views to the Senators.

It is said by some that a clear insight into the situation and a knowledge of what is really proposed in the Townsend bill will materially change the views of both sides to the controversy which has stirred a "tempest in a teapot" to quote the expression of one of the leaders.

By the action of the Executive Committee of the Business Men's League yesterday morning, the action of the three committees, the Executive, Freight Transportation and Legislative, was approved. As a consequence the committee appointed by President Walbridge will proceed to Washington. This committee consists of Messrs. Carleton, Corwin H. Spencer and William K. Bixby.

Mr. Spencer and Mr. Bixby said last night that business engagements would preclude the possibility of their making the trip. Unless Mr. Walbridge appoints other members of the Business Men's League to fill the vacancies, Mr. Carleton will be the only representative of the organization. He expects to start to-morrow.

Several other members of the Executive Committee will be selected to take the places of Messrs. Spencer and Bixby, but their names had not been announced last night by President Walbridge.

SEVERAL VOTES TAKEN. The action of the league was taken after much discussion and several votes. There was strong opposition to the Executive Committee formally endorsing the selection of the Washington committee, and it was the intention of those who presented the request that there be a special meeting called of the entire membership of the league, so that any definite action be postponed until the special meeting was held.

President Walbridge presided and stated that the request for the special meeting which the Executive Committee called the meeting for Tuesday, May 23.

Section 1, article 3, of the by-laws specifies that at least ten days' notice by mail must be given to each member in case of a special meeting, and under this provision, May 22 was the earliest date upon which the meeting could be held. A motion was then made to adjourn, but President Walbridge suggested that the action of the three committees with relation to the Washington committee was still to be considered.

A motion that the committee, consisting of Messrs. Carleton, Spencer and Bixby, proceed to Washington to-morrow night was amended to delay the trip until after the special meeting. The amendment was lost by a vote of 11 to 5.

Present at the meeting were C. P. Walbridge, Julius C. Birge, John E. Pilcher, W. K. Bixby, Norris B. Gregg, Oscar L. Whitaker, James E. Smith, George W. Brown, L. D. Deizer, Fergus J. Wade, John S. Lawrence, Nathan Frank, J. J. Wort, Robert, Hanford, Crawford, George A. Bell, Corwin H. Spencer, James F. Corpe, Murray Carleton, Otto L. Teichmann, Julius Schotten, C. H. Huttig, Walker Hill, Edward Devoe and W. F. Saunders.

Secretary Saunders said last night: "I am very possible to call the special meeting at an earlier date. I think that it is very probable that it would have been held previous to the time set for the hearing at Washington. I also believe that there is absolutely no disagreement between the different commercial organizations of the city when a perfect understanding is had of what the bill means."

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ADAMS TO BE APPOINTED; FINKELNBURG MAY SUCCEED

Every Indication Is That President Will Choose Nagel's Law Partner to Take Place of Federal District Judge, Who Is to Be Promoted—Roosevelt to Break Rule That No Man of More Than Fifty-Five Years Shall Be Placed Upon United States Bench—But One Recent Exception to the Iron Clad Rule.

INDORSEMENT OF WARNER AND NIEDRINGHAUS POTENT.



JUDGE ELMER B. ADAMS, United States District Judge, who is to be appointed a Circuit Judge on the Federal bench.

The Republic Bureau. Wyatt Building, 10th and F Streets. Washington, May 12.—Appointments to fill the vacancy in the Federal judiciary created by the death of Judge Thayer will be announced by the President soon, probably to-morrow.

Elmer B. Adams, now District Judge at St. Louis, will be made Circuit Judge.

To succeed him on the district bench Attorney General Moody has suggested to the President the name of G. A. Finkelnburg, law partner of Charles Nagel.

It was said to-day by a Department of Justice official that the President will appoint Mr. Finkelnburg. If he does so he will make a special exception to the rule which he himself has laid down to govern appointments to the Federal bench. This rule has it that men more than 55 years old will not be favored. Mr. Finkelnburg is 60 years old.

However, Mr. Finkelnburg has support which should be of the very strongest kind in governing the President's action. Mr. Nagel is the man in Missouri closest to Secretary Hitchcock and also stands high in the President's personal esteem.

Then, it is learned, Mr. Finkelnburg is endorsed by Senator Warner, National Committeeman Atkins and State Chairman Niedringhaus. The combination, along with the favorable interest of Mr. Nagel and Secretary Hitchcock, would appear to be strong enough to break any rule.

The fact of Mr. Finkelnburg's well-known standing as a lawyer, has been represented to Attorney General Moody, and through him, to the President to-day.

It has been made clear that Judge Finkelnburg's appointment, and the promotion of Judge Adams, will be well received by the bar of St. Louis.

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CROCKER'S SON DIES ON TRAIN, MYSTERIOUSLY

In Helpless Condition He Is Put Into Chair Car at Kansas City by a Negro.

HAD BEEN TO HOP JOINT.

Hotel Porter Says He Took Young Man There on Request and Then to Railway Station.

FALLS HELPLESS INTO SEAT.

Passengers Notice Condition, and Conductor Lets Him Sleep All Night, and Then Finds Death Has Taken Place.

Kansas City, May 12.—Charles Wood, a son of Richard Crocker, the New York political leader, was found dead in a chair car just before the train reached Newton last night for Eliza, Ok.

Kansas City, Mo., May 12.—Herbert V. Crocker, a son of Richard Crocker, the New York political leader, was found on a southbound Atchafalpa, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway train between Kansas City and Newton, Kan., to-day.

He had died during the night, evidently from the effects of some drug administered at Kansas City, where he took the train last night for Eliza, Ok.

The first news of the death of young Crocker was received in Kansas City at 4 o'clock this afternoon, when the local police were requested to hunt for a negro who is said to have placed Crocker on the train at Kansas City.

According to a telephone message from Newton